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TWENTY.

A PATROL LINE OF DESTROYERS

**U. S. Warships Will Enforce
Neutrality Along the At-
lantic Coast**

SERVICE FROM BAR HARBOR TO NEW YORK

**Other Vessels in Port Are in Readiness
to Move at a Moment's Notice —
Navy Department Shuts Down All
Wireless Stations.**

NEWPORT, R. I., Oct. 13.—A patrol line of torpedo destroyers charged with enforcing neutrality and saving lives in event of further submarine raids on shipping off the American coast went into service from Bar Harbor to New York today.

The seaward dash of eleven destroyers from this port late yesterday aroused speculation. Efforts to explain the activity of the destroyers ranged from a reported discovery of a foreign submarine base to a rumor that a liner had been driven into Bar Harbor by a German submarine stationed off Rockland, Me. All of these stories lacked verification.

Today came official authority for the statement that a neutrality patrol had been established although the officer withheld the use of his name. The limit of the line of coast surveillance as at present effected was shown today with the arrival of the destroyers Paulding and McDougall off Bar Harbor, Me., and the activity of the destroyer Sterrett in New York harbor. Between these two outposts nine others were weaving a net of observation that extended for a considerable distance out to sea well beyond the lanes of coast-wise vessels.

In Narragansett bay seven other destroyers were kept at routine target practice with steam constantly up available for an emergency call. The fuel ship Jason, which left here recently with a full supply of oil, came in during the night for more. The operations

First Baptist Church

Tonight at 7.30—Prayer meeting of the church. The gospel according to Mark.

Sunday services.

10.30 a. m.—Morning worship. Subject, The Voice of God.
11.45 a. m.—Bible school.
7.30 p. m.—Evening service. Subject, Wrecked Vessels. Dugan's orchestra, chorus choir, Alexander hymns. Welcome.

Centre Congregational Church

Tonight at 7.30.—Midweek meeting of the church. Subject, What Distinguishes the Christian from Other Men? 1 Peter 2: 1-25.

Friday and Saturday, from 9 a. m. through the evening on each day, rummage sale in the store on High street formerly occupied by W. H. Geddis. Persons having articles for the sale are asked to bring them to the store Friday morning.

TODAY'S WAR SUMMARY

While the entente armies in Northern France and in the Austro-Italian war theater are keeping up their heavy blows on the lines of their Teutonic foe the latter is continuing to counter heavily by pressing strokes on the Transylvania front.

The Rumanians are being forced back, according to the war office reports. Vienna claims that the Rumanian resistance has been broken on both sides of the Maros river, where Berlin yesterday announced an encircling movement. The Rumanians are declared to be in flight here while their retreat continues near Kronstadt, where King Ferdinand's troops are failing back towards the frontier passes.

German troops took the offensive yesterday along the Shara river in Russia, the Russian war office announces today. Germans captured a trench section but were later expelled with heavy losses.

Italians gained in the fighting of Wednesday on the Carso front, where General Cadorna is pushing towards Trieste. Vienna admits progress for the Italians and the capture of the town of Novavas. Elsewhere, however, they are declared to have failed in their attempts to advance and to have lost a total of 2,700 prisoners in the recent engagements incident to their offensive.

No infantry action in the Somme region is reported today, but the intense artillery activity is in evidence. Progress for the British in yesterday's fighting on the Somme front was announced today.

of the patrol are being directed from the flagship Birmingham, headquarters of Rear Admiral Albert Gleaves. The Birmingham is at this port also in readiness to move at a moment. Two destroyers are operating at Boston harbor, fulfilling the new orders by which the neutrality service of recent months has been increased. They are the Warrington and Reid with the Davis, a new destroyer almost ready for commission.

Since the advent of the German submarine off Nantucket the navy department has shut down all coast wireless stations. Navy officers have been sent to the Seagate station, the Telephon station, the National Electric Signalling company's Brooklyn station and all local wireless plants to instruct the operators as to the exact meaning of neutrality.

Another destroyer was added to the patrol forces just before noon, when the Cummings went out of the harbor at top speed.

DROPPED TONS OF BOMBS.

Forty Aeroplanes of Allies Attack German Munitions Works.

PARIS, Oct. 13.—Forty French and British aeroplanes dropped four tons of bombs on the Mauser works at Oberndorf in Germany, the war office announced today. Six German machines defending the works were shot down.

RESCUED TWO MEN.

Coast Guards Take Them from Crippled Schooner.

WATCH HILL, R. I., Oct. 13.—Coast guards in a motor boat rescued two men from the schooner Henry P. Hallock, which was discovered three miles off shore today with both masts blown away by the strong southerly gale.

STEAMER BOVIC SAW SUBMARINE

**Makes Report by Wireless
While 200 Miles East
of New York**

COURSE OF VESSEL WAS NOT STATED

**Message Said Undersea Craft Was
Aster, But Whether Pursuing Bovic
or Keeping an Independent Course Is
Not Known.**

BOSTON, Oct. 13.—A submarine of unidentified nationality was reported about 200 miles east of New York by the steamer Bovic in a wireless message today. The course of the submarine was not stated.

The Bovic, a British freighter, is due to arrive in New York today or tomorrow from Manchester, England. The message said the submarine was astern but whether pursuing the Bovic or keeping an independent course was not stated.

SAW FOREIGN CRUISERS.

**Captain of Steamer Reports a Fleet
Off Cape Sable, N. S.**

BOSTON, Oct. 13.—A fleet of foreign cruisers and destroyers heading southward passed the Russian steamship Hesperus off Cape Sable, Nova Scotia on Wednesday, the captain of the Hesperus reported on arrival today. Pilots who were in Massachusetts bay yesterday reported today having seen three torpedo destroyers. One pilot said they were British. Another said they were Americans. Ashore it was believed they were Americans.

Belief that they were British destroyers was held by many water front men.

Three British steamers went out last night and today the Lord Cromer and the Morengo prepared to sail. The Kancon of the American Hawaiian line, laden with war munitions and horses for the allies, was expected to sail today for St. Nazaire, France, and Genoa, Italy.

TERRIBLE ACCIDENT AT GRADE CROSSING

**Locomotive Strikes Trolley Near Troy,
N. Y. — One Man Dead and
Five Injured.**

TROY, N. Y., Oct. 13.—One man was instantly killed, another crushed so severely that he may die and five other men were injured when a Delaware & Hudson train struck a United Traction company's trolley car on a crossing in Green Island today.

Hector Gipean, son of the comptroller of Cohoes, was the man killed and John H. Awtart of Cohoes was seriously injured. The accident was caused by slippery rails.

Two Pennsylvania inventors have patented a slingshot with a sight to aid in aiming it.

WILMINGTON MAN DROPS FROM SIGHT

**Hoosac Tunnel & Wilmington Railroad
Station Agent's Books Said to
Be in Bad Shape.**

B. A. Cook, for the past three or four years station agent for the Hoosac Tunnel & Wilmington railroad in Wilmington, left that town suddenly Sunday with his wife and two children, stored his automobile in a garage in Boston, mailed the garage check to Foster & Grout and dropped out of sight. His present whereabouts are unknown.

It was stated at the railroad office yesterday that the missing man had given no word of his intention to leave when he locked up the office Saturday night and that his accounts were in bad shape. There is supposed to be some shortage, but the extent of it cannot be learned until the books have been gone over. The missing man cleared up some of his personal debts before leaving, but it is understood that he owed more or less money to different individuals.

Cook evidently made his plans for leaving in a hurry. Sunday he locked up the house in which he had been living, took his machine and family and left for Boston. There he stored the car in a garage on Massachusetts avenue and mailed the check. He announced to at least one person Sunday that he was leaving town for good, but did not state where he intended to go after leaving Boston. He left orders for the disposition of the furniture in his home before leaving.

An attachment was laid on his motion picture projection machine in Memorial hall by F. A. Childs to cover three weeks' rent of the hall, \$24. The screen was not fully paid for and remains the property of the makers and the automobile he had been driving also was owned on a conditional bill of sale and remains the property of Foster & Grout. The machine was located in the garage in Boston, where it had been left, by Anna Grout and will be brought to Wilmington today.

Among the theories advanced by those best acquainted with the missing man to account for his actions is that of temporary loss of mental balance. It is said that he had been drinking more or less for some time and it is presumed that a temporary fit of mental unbalance left him in a position from which he could see instant flight as the only way out.

The railroad company is protected from loss by Cook's bond, filed with a bonding concern, but the extent of his delinquencies if any, will not be known for several days.

GREAT INTEREST IN ROYAL ARCH MASONS

**Unusual Number of New Members Re-
ceived—Three Solid Silver Squares
Presented Last Evening.**

Unprecedented enthusiasm is being manifested this year in the work of the Royal Arch chapter, No. 12, Royal Arch Masons, and in the meeting last evening three members presented the chapter for use in its work three solid silver squares, hand engraved, which will be much appreciated. They came from Ferris R. Vaughan, Clarence E. Skerry and a friend.

Henry F. C. Toedt was elected high priest at the last annual meeting. Previous to that the largest number of new members received in a year was 18 to 20. In the past six months there have been 45 candidates and more are in prospect. Last night a class of three was worked on the Mark Master degree, five new members were voted in and four new applications were received. Another application has been received since then.

Another class will be worked on the Mark Master degree next week and in the following week a class of 10 or 12 will be worked on the Past and Most Excellent Master degrees, at which time a banquet will be served.

It was only a little leaf,
But on it did shine the sun,
The winds did caress, the birds did sing,
And it lived till its work was done.
—M. J. Savage.

Cortland F. Bishop of Lenox, Mass., has a parrot which has a vocabulary of 75 words.

**GENUINE
GOLDEN R
TOBACCO**

**FOUR POINTS IN UPPER
PART OF THE GREAT R**

There's nothing near wonder-
ful the Golden R quality—get the
proof, it's in every package;
then decide in your own way
whether you ought to be without
Golden R. Every whiff is a why
there's never been a tobacco that
could get smokers back from
Golden R. Distributed by DeWitt
Grocery Co.

**TOBACCO ASSOCIATES
SPRINGFIELD MASS.**

BODY EXHUMED FOR IDENTIFICATION

**Patrick McCarthy Was
Drowned Near Gas House
Night of July 23**

MRS. HAYES WILL CLAIM INSURANCE

**Ticonderoga Woman Said She Was Car-
rying Policy on His Life—Accidental-
ly Heard of His Death and Came Here
to See Selection.**

Mrs. Mary Hayes of Ticonderoga, N. Y., came here yesterday and caused the body of Patrick McCarthy, who was drowned July 23 in the Connecticut river at Brattleboro, to be exhumed for identification. The body was buried at the expense of the town after burial was delayed nearly two weeks for some relative to claim it.

Mrs. Hayes said that she had known McCarthy a number of years and that she had paid premiums on an insurance policy on his life. She had heard accidentally of his death through a friend and later confirmed the information by reading of it in a Vermont newspaper.

She desired to make certain that the body was that of the man on whose life she had been carrying an insurance policy, in order to be in a position to make claim for the insurance. She said that she was no relative of his, but had known him many years.

Selectman W. E. Stellman talked with her and she promised to make restitution to the town for the expense of the burial when she collected the policy.

McCarthy was drowned just north of the gas house at 8.30 o'clock at night. He was in the company of two other men and all had been drinking. McCarthy, his companions claimed, stood up to put on his coat and lost his balance and fell into the water. The body was recovered the next morning by Police Chief George Wilson and Arthur E. Kuecht, who dragged the river with grappling irons.

MARSH IS CHOSEN FOR NEW POSITION

**Superintendent of Construction of Fed-
eral Building Resigns to Take
Place in Washington.**

Charles R. Marsh, superintendent of construction of the federal building in Brattleboro, has resigned his position and will go to Washington about Nov. 1 to take the new position designated as the engineer assistant to the municipal architect of the District of Columbia.

In this position he will have charge of all of the repairs and improvements to the municipal buildings of the district, of which there are about 300. About \$150,000 annually is spent on this work.

Mr. Marsh was recommended for the new appointment by the office of the supervising architect of the federal government, a compliment much appreciated by Mr. Marsh. The position is non-political, and the appointment holds until removal for cause or resignation on the part of the incumbent.

Mr. Marsh will be succeeded here by Edward F. O'Brien, a superintendent of construction with headquarters at Middletown, Conn., who will make the necessary visits to the local federal building until its completion. Mr. O'Brien was in town today.

THREE KILLED IN THE BAYONNE RIOTS

**More Than 100 Injured and Much Prop-
erty Damaged — Unknown Man
Shot Through the Head.**

BAYONNE, N. J., Oct. 13.—Quiet prevailed today at Constable Hook after the battle scenes enacted in the streets near the oil plants yesterday. The police assert that all those wounded have been hit by bullets from the guns of strikers and that the police have shot over the strikers' heads.

Three persons have been killed and more than 100 have been injured, since the shooting began and there has been much property damage. It was reported today that many families were moving from the strike district to escape the danger from bullets.

The body of an unidentified man was found in the street some distance from the strike center with a bullet through his head.

BRATTLEBORO LOCAL.

Mrs. Murray M. Tucker gave a delightful luncheon in her home on Chase street yesterday afternoon to Miss Ruth A. Brown and her maid of honor and bridesmaids, besides the hostess's sister, Mrs. H. Lester Utley of Amherst, Mass., making a merry company of a dozen.

THREE DIVORCE PETITIONS HEARD

**Uncontested Cases Tried Before Judge
L. P. Slack in County Court at
Newfane—No Decisions.**

In the Windham county court before Judge L. P. Slack at Newfane yesterday afternoon the divorce case of Blanche D. Wilson of Brattleboro against Emerson R. Wilson was heard. Desertion was the ground for the petition. F. E. Barber appearing for the petitioner.

Two other divorce petitions were heard this morning. Olive LaChance asked for divorce from James LaChance on the ground of desertion. The petitioner was represented by H. B. Chase, and F. E. Barber appeared for the petitioner. There was no contest.

The other case heard this morning was that of Maud Kingsley against Charles S. Kingsley of Bellows Falls. W. A. Graham appeared for the petitioner and F. E. Barber for the petitioner. There was no contest in this case.

No decisions were given in any of these cases.

CALL TO ARMS MADE.

**Venizelos Says His Men Will March
on Bulgarians.**

LONDON, Oct. 13.—Venizelos, formerly premier of Greece, has announced at Saloniki that his revolutionary government intends to proclaim soon a mobilization of all Greeks to fight the Bulgarians.

"I have placed myself at the head of a movement which is bound to succeed," M. Venizelos is quoted as saying. "The islands have all adhered to the movement, and are prepared to accept the mobilization, which will be declared shortly. The constitution must be reversed, even if we have to march without Athens and Old Greece. We intend to march against Ferdinand and his treacherous troops."

Gen. Zimbrakis has been appointed minister of war in the provisional government, organization of which is being completed at Saloniki, according to a Reuter despatch from Saloniki dated October 10. He took the oath of office on that day, in the presence of the revolutionary triumvirate, Venizelos, Admiral Condouriotis and Gen. Danglis. The seat of government probably will be in Mitylene.

BREAKS GROUND FOR GARAGE.

**Overland Agent to Have Two Story
Building on Canal Street.**

F. A. Betterley broke ground yesterday on his property at 77 Canal street for a garage building to be 36 by 40 feet and two stories in height. Mr. Betterley is the local agent for the Overland cars and is building the garage for a service station. The top floor will be on the Canal street level and an elevator will provide the means of reaching the lower floor. As the rear of the building will be on the bank above Whetstone brook there ample light will be obtainable on the lower floor. Mr. Betterley says the building will be of wood with stucco finish and that he expects to be occupying it in two months.

The inhabitants of a frog pond close at hand awakened two little girls who were spending their first night in the country. First came the high, piping voice of a little "peeper." "What's that?" whispered Winnie. "I think it's a bird," ventured Susan. Just then a basso profundo frog sang one of his lowest tones. "What's that?" came another startled whisper. "I'm not quite sure," came the answer, "but I think it is either a cow or an automobile."—Youngstown Telegram.

FARMER ENDS LIFE WITH STRYCHNINE

**William E. Wheeler, Farmer
in Grove, Takes Poison
in His Home**

WIFE STRUCK CUP FROM HIS HAND

**Produced Another Dose Which He
Swallowed in Spite of Her Efforts—
Cause for Act Unknown — Was
About to Start for Greenfield.**

After his wife had knocked from his hand a cup containing strychnine William E. Wheeler of Grove, a well-known farmer and prominent citizen of that place, mixed another potion of the poison with water in his home this morning and in spite of his wife's efforts succeeded in drinking it, with fatal results. Mr. Wheeler was 50 years old.

Mr. Wheeler loaded a wagon with potatoes last night intending to go to Greenfield, Mass., with them this morning. About 8 o'clock he went into the house from the barn and began mixing something with water in a cup.

His wife asked him what he was doing and he told her correctly. Much alarmed, Mrs. Wheeler struck the cup from his hand, and it was smashed on the floor. Mr. Wheeler had a further quantity of the poison, which he took from his pocket and swallowed, although Mrs. Wheeler made a desperate attempt to prevent him from doing so.

Dr. A. J. Thomas of Jacksonville was sent for by telephone, but before he arrived Mr. Wheeler was dead. Where the poison was obtained is not known.

What prompted Mr. Wheeler to take the fatal dose is not known. For some time, however, he had had attacks of nervousness, and it is thought that his mind may have been affected. He leaves a wife, who was Marion Ward of Guilford, daughter of the late Frank Ward, and 11 children, eight of whom live at home.

He was a native of Grove and always lived there except for a few years when he lived in Guilford. He went from Guilford back to Grove some 20 years ago.

Last fall his barn was burned after all the crops had been harvested and the silo filled, but the stock was saved. Shortly afterwards he traded his farm for the Elliot Green place in Grove, where he had lived since. He was a man of industry and thrift and had served the town in various capacities, including those of selectman and school director.

The funeral will be held at the house at 1.30 o'clock Sunday. Rev. W. R. Tinker of the Halifax Baptist church officiating. The burial will take place in the Bell cemetery.

THE WEATHER.

**Rain Tonight. Saturday Partly Cloudy.
Cooler Tomorrow.**

WASHINGTON, October 13. — The weather forecast: Rain tonight. Saturday partly cloudy. Probably local rains in Maine. Cooler Saturday in blown away by the strong southerly winds.

IS YOUR HOME WIRED?

If your home is not wired for electric lights, why not see us and let us tell you how simple it is to wire and of the many advantages of having electricity in the home?

Electric lights afford the best light for children to study by.

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before in our history!

That sounds incredible in face of the record prices prevailing for woollens. Yet it is literally true—because we bought a big stock of these goods before the big advance and are selling them at just the SAME OLD PRICES.

And there's no scarcity
of variety, either!

Spurred on by the world-wide shortage of woollens, we have camped on every trail which could contribute to variety and quality; and today, when new colors and patterns are at a premium, our selections at \$15, \$16.50, \$18, \$20, \$22.50 and \$25 afford a range of choice which cannot be equaled in southern Vermont.

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